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House Resolution

1
2 A resolution honoring coach Jill Ellis and the United
3 States Women's National Soccer Team for winning the
4 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup.

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6 WHEREAS, on July 5, 2015, in front of millions of viewers
7 worldwide, the United States Women's National Soccer Team, led
8 by coach Jill Ellis, a Miami-Dade County resident, defeated
9 reigning World Cup champion Japan 5-2 in Vancouver, Canada, to
10 win its third FIFA Women's World Cup title and end a 16-year
11 drought, and

12 WHEREAS, since the creation of the FIFA Women's World Cup
13 in 1991, the United States Women's National Soccer Team is the
14 most successful team in the tournament's history and the first
15 team to win the tournament three times, and

16 WHEREAS, coach Ellis and the team created history, scoring
17 four spectacular goals within the first 16 minutes of the match,
18 the earliest a team has ever scored four goals in a single FIFA
19 Women's World Cup match, and surpassed Germany as the top-
20 scoring team in FIFA Women's World Cup history with 112 goals,
21 and

22 WHEREAS, team captain Carli Lloyd became the first woman to
23 score a hat trick in a World Cup final and tied for most goals
24 scored in the tournament, netting the Golden Ball award for best
25 player of the tournament and the FIFA Women's World Player of
26 the Year award, and

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27 WHEREAS, the team's defense was stalwart, tying a world
28 record 540 minutes of play without conceding a goal and earning
29 Hope Solo the Golden Glove award for best goalkeeper of the
30 tournament, and

31 WHEREAS, coach Jill Ellis became the first American to win
32 the FIFA Women's World Coach of the Year award after leading her
33 team to a record-setting season and World Cup victory in 2015,
34 and

35 WHEREAS, under the exemplary leadership of coach Jill Ellis
36 and her coaching staff, the United States Women's National
37 Soccer Team players Carli Lloyd, Hope Solo, Julie Johnston, Ali
38 Krieger, Ashlyn Harris, Meghan Klingenberg, Becky Sauerbrunn,
39 Megan Rapinoe, Lauren Holiday, Tobin Heath, Alex Morgan, Sydney
40 Leroux, Lori Chalupny, Christie Rampone, Morgan Brian, Abby
41 Wambach, Amy Rodriguez, Christen Press, Kelley O'Hara, Alyssa
42 Naeher, Whitney Engen, Heather O'Reilly, and Shannon Boxx united
43 to form the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup championship team, NOW,
44 THEREFORE,

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46 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
47 Florida:

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49 That coach Jill Ellis, her staff, and the players of the
50 United States Women's National Soccer Team are congratulated on
51 their fantastic and inspirational achievement of winning the

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52 | 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup and for becoming the only team to
53 | win three World Cup finals.